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PATENT APPLICATION

PCE/28348

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re the Application of

Kaosu MATSUMOTO

Group Art Unit: 2834

Application No.: 09/863,442

Examiner: H. Elkassabgi

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Docket No.: 109611

For: BLOWER FOR USE IN OFFICE AUTOMATION EQUIPMENT (AS AMENDED)

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)  
AND TRANSMITTAL OF FEE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.17**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a Request for Continued Application based on the above-identified patent application. The shortened statutory period for response having expired on May 13, 2003, an extension of time for a period of three months is hereby requested. Attached hereto is our Check No. 145227 in the amount of \$930.00 pursuant to 37 CFR §1.17.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee (or credit any overpayment) associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 15-0461. Two copies of this petition are enclosed.

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